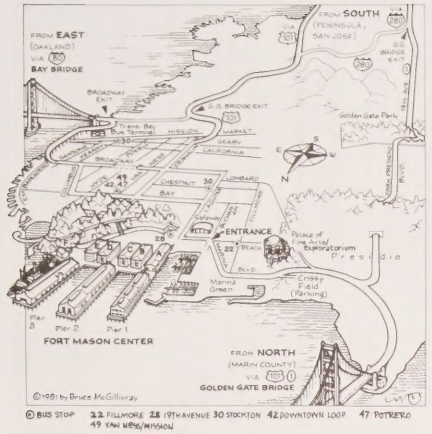

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Arts and Artifacts Japanese shop signs with Hina doll, from the personal collection of Georgia Sales. December 6-24. Photo: Jonathan Fisher©

DECEMBER 1991

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A SEASON OF CELEBRATION

At the end of this year, Fort Mason Center will have completed fifteen years of operation as the focal point of America's premier urban National Park.

The Center is home to over forty nonprofit organizations, with endeavors ranging from theaters, ethnic museums, galleries, performing and visual arts, to recreational activities, environmental concerns, media and health classes. It is also a unique setting for over 15,000 events each year, ranging in size from meetings for a few people to special events for more than 10,000.

The Herbst and Festival Pavilions, the Cowell Theater, the conference facilities, classrooms, and activity spaces, have provided a model for the conversion of surplus military facilities to community use. Fort Mason Center is a National Historic Landmark, with spectacular views of the Golden Gate, the Bay, and the hills of Marin.

This year also marked significant milestones for many of the organizations that are integral to the Center. It was the 75th anniversary of the founding of the National Park Service, without which there would be no Fort Mason as a vital part of the Golden Gate National Recreation Area.

Among resident groups, to mention just a few, it was the 15th anniversary for The Mexican Museum, the 15th year for the San Francisco Children's Art Center, the 16th annual Poetry Film Festival, the 18th season for Make*A*Circus, the 20th year for Environmental Traveling Companions, Oceanic Society Expeditions and Blue Bear School of Music, the 24th season for Magic Theatre, and the 25th anniversary for Performing Arts Workshop.

Among the special events presented at Fort Mason each year, 1991 brought the 10th Annual San Francisco Fall Antiques Show, the 15th Free Folk Music Festival, the 15th Pacific States Craft Fair, the 19th San Francisco Blues Festival, and the 20th anniversary for Khadra International Folk Ballet.

Kidshows, new to Fort Mason, has been producing delightful shows for children for 10 years. The Guardsmen have been presenting their annual Christmas tree sale for over 30 years, in support of summer camp for disadvantaged children.

Greens Restaurant continues to be one of the Bay Area's favorite restaurants.

This month, Fort Mason Center is like one big "open house." The Women's Building's Celebration of Craftswomen headlines the many events that are part of "Focus on Women at Fort Mason." The museums and galleries expand their gift shops, providing an abundance of ethnic art, contemporary crafts, ornaments, cards and gifts. A new group, Arts & Artifacts, brings folk art and contemporary crafts to the Conference Center. The Art Campus presents its Holiday Show and Sale; the Children's Art Center has its 6th Annual Holiday Open House and Sale.

The theaters are lively with shows from *Pippi Longstocking* to *A Bologna Christmas* to Fort Comedy II for New Year's Eve. There's a Sports Cards Show, traditional Italian Christmas sweets, a vegetarian Holiday Potluck Party and a pot luck sponsored by Fund for Animals. The Mexican Museum's Family Sunday presents the Mascaritas Puppet Theater.

There are so many things to see and do, opportunities for families to share seasonal experiences, gifts of all kinds, thoughtful programs on many issues, or just the simple pleasure of a comfortable and beautiful place to walk.

It's not possible to mention each and every valuable group or event, but in looking through the rest of this Calendar, you're sure to find a reason to join us here this month. Celebrate the season; celebrate the anniversaries; celebrate the old traditions, or start some new ones.

There are signs posted throughout Fort Mason Center, referring to the ongoing renovations of these venerable buildings so they can continue to serve the community for another fifteen years, and more. The headline is "Fort Mason is a work in progress." May it ever remain so, in every way.

THIS TIME IT'S PERSONAL!!

Will Durst, San Francisco's Number 1 stand-up comic.

Will Durst, the "Mother" of all political comedians, headlines Fort Comedy II: This Time It's Personal!! The Happy New Year show at the Cowell Theater also stars Greg Proops, Deb & Mike, Steve Kravitz and Ed Crasnick.

Durst has been hailed as the Mort Sahl of his generation. He's been featured on "Late Night With David Letterman," HBO's "One Night Stand" and "Not Necessarily The News," "The Arsenio Hall Show," and just about every other comedy program on television. He is currently on a Capital Cities Tour, covering the country between now and next November's election. He reports regularly from the road to the *San Francisco Examiner* and "The Larry King Show." Regarded as one of the sharpest political humorists in the country, Durst is San Francisco's Number 1 stand-up comic. He once ran for mayor of the city.

Greg Proops, a New Wave comedian whose favorite color is black, has appeared on "MTV's 1/2 Hour Comedy Hour," A&E's "Evening at the Improv," and the BBC hit "Whose Line Is It Anyway?" He claims that he's frequently mistaken for Buddy Holly, but that he has no knowledge of music.

Deb & Mike have been performing improvisational comedy for far longer than they will admit. They will neither confirm nor deny rumors that they were White House favorites in FDR's administration.

Steve Kravitz, known as the comedy world's "Prince of Darkness," has appeared on "Comic Strip Live," "MTV's 1/2 Hour Comedy Hour," and co-hosted the final days of Rick Dees' "Into The Night." A resident of Los Angeles, he dares to wear San Francisco Giants clothing on Melrose Avenue in broad daylight.

Ed Crasnick says he is small of stature, but has "more heart and soul than a piano teacher's handbook." Besides television appearances, his major gig of 1991 was the debut of his one-man show, "I'm Not Perfect." It has played all over the greater San Francisco Bay Area to "tumultuous accolades." A transplant from the bustling metropolis of Boston, Eddie went camping for the first time this year, and actually admits to having enjoyed it.

Fort Comedy II is presented December 28 through 31. Showtimes are Saturday through Monday at 8:30pm, Tuesday at 7:30 and 10pm. Tickets are $15 Saturday through Monday and $20 for the Tuesday 7:30pm show. The New Year's Eve show, Tuesday at 10pm, is $30, which includes champagne and party favors. All ages are welcome, except for the 10pm show on Tuesday, when attendees must be 21 or over. For tickets, call (510) 762-BASS.

CHRISTMAS TREE PAVILION

The Guardsmen Christmas Tree Sale once again fills the Festival Pavilion at Fort Mason. The all-volunteer effort raises funds to help send thousands of underprivileged Bay Area children to summer camp.

This year, shoppers can enjoy an especially comfortable atmosphere for the whole family. The weatherproof indoor sales area offers many kinds and sizes of freshly cut trees, live potted trees, garlands, wreaths, tree stands, a wide variety of trimmings, ornaments and decorations and other holiday merchandise.

Valet parking, flame retarding and delivery services are available. Volunteers help load and tie the trees on purchasers' vehicles. There is ongoing family entertainment, with cookies, cappuccino and espresso available.

The Guardsmen is a nonprofit organization, founded in 1947 by a small group of business and professional men to help Bay Area children. The Christmas tree sale began over thirty years ago. It has allowed tens of thousands of financially, emotionally and physically disadvantaged children to experience the joy of summer camp programs.

The sale continues daily November 29 through December 22, from 9am to 9pm. For information, call 781-6785.

FORT MASON CENTER is...

...cause for celebration.

Anniversaries in 1991 included the 18th season for Make*A*Circus—see article

THE BEST CHRISTMAS EVER

A Bologna Christmas, "a charmingly blasphemous yuletide tale," returns to Life On The Water.

The show premiered in 1987 at Climate Theatre, to critical and popular acclaim. This is its second presentation at Fort Mason.

The audience joins the Webers, a hilarious, hyper-typical American family, as they prepare their familiar yet bizarre Christmas Eve rituals. These include a pageant and carols, the "Sisters" dance from White Christmas, a Swami visitation, a little animated sex education, a microwave feast, and much more.

The play has been described as "a grand concoction of kitsch holiday trappings, easygoing but pointed social satire, pop iconoclasm and glorious fun" by Robert Hurwitt of the *San Francisco Examiner*.

Steven Winn, the *San Francisco Chronicle* reviewer, said "This crackpot take on a typical American family's cozy holiday revels is a headfirst dive into the punch bowl of Middle-America neuroses." The set decoration alone is worth the price of admission.

Written by Fratelli Bologna and Martin Higgins, directed by Albert Takazauckas, the play previews on Wednesday and Thursday, December 4 and 5 at 8pm. The run continues from December 6 through 29, Wednesday through Saturday at 8pm, Sunday at 2pm. There is no performance on Wednesday, December 25 (Christmas Day).

Tickets are $12 to $20, and went on sale November 1. Preview tickets are $8. For reservations, call the LOTW box office, 776-8999. Tickets are also available at STBS Union Square and all BASS/TM outlets.

CALIFORNIA CRAFTSWOMEN

Women's Building Arts & Crafts Fair features singer Faye Carol and pianist Kito Gamble.

The thirteenth annual Women's Building Arts and Crafts Fair is the largest juried women's crafts show in the country, with 280 artists presenting some of the finest work in California.

On exhibit and for sale are jewelry, fiber arts, sculpture, ceramics, woodwork, mixed media, fine arts, children's items, photography and musical instruments. The Fair is a major fund-raising event for The Women's Building.

This year, the Fair includes demonstrations and a special exhibit.

"The Art of Craft," traditional folk arts demonstrations by Bay Area and locally-based international artists, includes Guatemalan backstrap weaving, Native American basketweaving, Mexican paper flowers, Japanese dolls, Laotian and Palestinian fine embroidery, bookmaking, and body casting.

"Women on Women: A Celebration of Our Cultural Diversities," is a juried visual arts exhibit presented by The Women's Building and coordinated by the Northern California Women's Caucus for Art. The show is open in the Bayfront Gallery November 20 through January 3. A reception for the artists takes place on the opening day of the Fair, December 7, at 1pm. The exhibit highlights women artists' work that reflects on themselves, each other, and their ethnic heritage. (See article on Galleries page.)

Appearing at the Fair are many popular performers, including musicians, dancers, jugglers and storytellers, representing the racial, cultural and ethnic diversity of the Bay Area.

The entertainment lineup includes bluegrass musicians Judy Fjell and Crystal Reeves; blues and jazz singer Faye Carol with pianist Kito Gamble; cabaret singer Faith Winthrop; the Gospel Elites; Middle Eastern dance and music with Sharon Page-Ritchie, Happy Hyder, Susu Pampanin, and Daria Schwartzchild; Japanese drummers One World Taiko; storyteller Yolanda Rhodes; juggler Sara Felder; and comedians Danny Williams, Karen Ripley and Karla Carmony.

Free on-site childcare with entertainment is available. A variety of ethnic food provided by Mujeres Unidas and Granada Market is for sale at the Fair.

The Women's Building, located in the Mission District, is a nonprofit organization that identifies cutting-edge issues in the community and launches new projects to address those concerns.

Since its founding in 1970, it has sponsored more than 125 new projects, including the West Coast's first battered women's shelter (La Casa de las Madres), the nation's only all-women orchestra (Bay Area Women's Philharmonic), the West Coast's first treatment program for women alcoholics and their children (Women's Alcoholism Center) and one of the leading women's funding organizations in the country (The Women's Foundation).

The organization provides Spanish and English information and referrals on housing, health care, domestic violence and employment, and meeting space for over 100 diverse women's and community organizations each year.

Eight other organizations are featuring women's programming during December. For details, see the article "Focus on Women."

The Arts and Crafts Fair takes place in the Herbst Pavilion on Saturday and Sunday, December 7-8 and 14-15 from 10am to 6pm. Admission is $4.50 including all entertainment. Entrance is free for children under 12; discounts are available for seniors 65 and over. Tickets are available at the door, and in advance at The Women's Building, 3543 - 18th Street, San Francisco.

There is free parking at Crissy Field, with a shuttle to Herbst Pavilion. Public transit to Fort Mason includes MUNI bus route 28, direct to the site, and the 30, 47, 49, 42 and 22 routes coming within easy walking distance. For information, call The Women's Building, 431-1180.

ARTS & ARTIFACTS

Arts & Artifacts offers an extraordinary exhibit and sale of ethnic arts and contemporary crafts. The unusual collection includes 18th-century Ethiopian war shields, tribal adornments and beadwork from Africa, Afghanistan, India and Mexico, rare plants and living holiday wreaths from the Hawaiian rainforest, pottery and baskets from every corner of the world, textiles and pillows from Indonesia, Oaxaca, Africa and Japan, furniture from Africa, Asia and the Philippines, contemporary and ethnic jewelry, and sculpture by leading Bay Area craft artists.

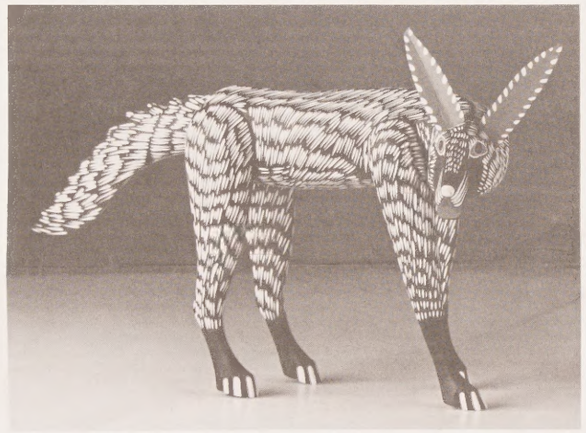
The collaborative effort is a new alliance of five major Bay Area dealers and collectors.

Virginia Breier, former partner in Meyer, Breier & Weiss, is owner-director of the V. Breier Gallery on Sacramento Street. The Gallery showcases "an eclectic mix of contemporary arts and crafts in all media, with a sprinkling of ethnic folk art," and an emphasis on unusual ceramics.

Karen Kleid is an interior designer and dealer in oriental carpets, textiles, furniture and ethnic arts. Formerly a buyer of carpets and pillows for Gump's and an associate at Union Street's Kundus Gallery, Kleid offers "an eccentric mélange of decorative pillows, Japanese baskets, Philippine colonial tables, African wooden stools and beadwork, kilims from Turkey, tribal raffia from Zaire, lacquerware from Thailand, and antique Moroccan brass cachepots."

Michael Postl and Davis Dolbrook are co-owners of Living Green, a plantscape design company in Showplace Square that's noted for its fantastic tropical horticulture and Hawaiian rainforest interior foliage. "Under a canopy of palms you'll find handcarved basins from Costa Rica and Japan, stone sculptures and paintings from Bali, a diverse collection of pottery fron the Amazon, China and Mexico—and don't be surprised to encounter a few tropical birds!" Michael and Davis have created award-winning gardens for the San Francisco Landscape Garden Show.

Georgia Sales, architect and interior designer, was co-founder of Folk Art International in 1979, and a director for its first ten years. She designed its first Fort Mason Christmas Sale. The Arts & Artifacts sale features one-of-a-kind ethnic and tribal art from her personal collection, gathered on her extensive travels during the past twenty years. Pieces include Japanese mingei, textiles, ceramics and furniture.



Handcarved wooden animal from Tzintzuntzan. Photo: Jonathan Fisher©

Henry Wangeman and Rosa Blum are co-owners of Tzintzuntzan in Berkeley. They have the largest selection of Mexican folk art in the Bay Area, and are among the largest suppliers to museum stores. Henry and Rosa travel widely throughout rural Mexico, commissioning works directly from craftspeople there. They have promoted Mexican folk art since 1978, organizing a number of exhibits, including some at The Mexican Museum. Their contributions to the Arts & Artifacts sale include furniture, unusual tinware, textiles, handcarved toys, wooden animals and decorations.

Arts & Artifacts is open from December 6 through 24, Tuesday through Saturday from 11am to 7pm, Sunday and Monday 11am to 5pm, in the Conference Center, Landmark Building A. For information, call 673-4094.

FOCUS ON WOMEN

"Focus on Women at Fort Mason" is a collaboration among resident organizations and the Women's Building Arts and Crafts Fair (see article). An extraordinary variety of women's work, including outstanding crafts, fine art exhibits, theater and music is featured.

Cowell Theater
Eileen Atkins stars as Virginia Woolf in *A Room Of One's Own*, a staging of Woolf's essay and lectures, adapted and directed by Patrick Garland (see December 1).

Young Performers Theatre
YPT presents *Pippi Longstocking*, a rollicking, madcap musical (see December 7).

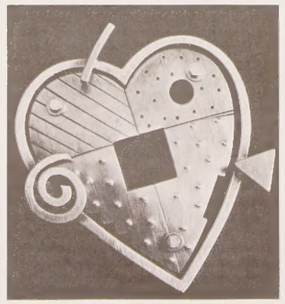
Plowshares Coffeehouse
The SF Folk Music Center showcases singer/songwriter Carol McComb, a traditional folk artist who has worked with the Griffin Quartet and Jerry Jeff Walker, and teaches at the Puget Sound Guitar Seminar. She'll perform with local star Nina Gerber for an exciting night of guitar music (see December 7).

Bayfront Gallery
The Northern California Caucus for Art presents "Women on Women, A Celebration of our Cultural Diversities" (see article on Galleries page).

The Mexican Museum
"Leonora Carrington: The Mexican Years, 1942-1985," is a retrospective exhibit of paintings, sculptures, and works on paper created during the artist's long residence in Mexico. It's the first major West Coast show for this important surrealist artist (see Galleries).

Perception Gallery
Sight & Insight presents the work of artists Miriam Ellingson and Maggie Feldstein, two Bay Area artists of strong vision. The show is a unique mix of paintings and drawings, mixed media, and interpretive figure work (see Galleries).

California Lawyers for the Arts
CLA presents a workshop entitled Negotiating Techniques for Women in the Arts. Participants learn valuable negotiation strategies from an attorney through discussion and role-playing activities (see December 11).



Pin by T. Mann Designs© from V. Breier Contemporary Crafts Gallery. Photo: Will Crocker

GALLERIES

Bayfront Gallery Open before, during & after performances. FREE Gallery adm. Cowell Theater 441-5706
Women On Women, A Celebration Of Our Cultural Diversities The Northern California Women's Caucus for Art offers a multicultural presentation of women reflecting on themselves, each other & their ethnic heritage. Drawing from talent in Northern California, this juried exhibition features women artists working in a variety of media. 11/20-1/3 (reception 12/7 Sat 1-6pm)

Fort Mason Art Campus Gallery Mon, Fri & Sat 9am-3pm, Tue-Thur 9am-8pm, FREE adm Bldg B 561-1840
Annual Holiday Show & Sale 12/14&15 Sat &Sun 10am-6pm FREE adm see 12/14

Mexican Museum Wed-Sun Noon-5pm. $2/$1 Srs (1st Wed/mo Noon-8pm, FREE adm) Bldg D 441-0404
Family Sunday The Mascaritas Puppet Theater performs. 12:30-4:30pm FREE Firehouse see 12/15
Leonora Carrington: The Mexican Years, 1943-1985 A European emigré who fled during the war in 1942, Carrington is described as a surrealist "whose images have for many years belonged to a magical realm between sleep & waking, conscious & unconcious," intermingling elements of fantasy & reality. This ambitious exhibition features over 40 paintings, sculptures & works on paper created during her long residence in Mexico. 12/11-3/1 (reception 12/11 Wed 6-8pm)
La Tienda Annual Holiday Mercado A wide selection of Mexican & Latin American folk art & gifts. 11/8-12/24 Noon-6pm daily 202-9703
Rodriguez Orientation Gallery A permanent installation introducing the five main areas of the Museum's collection.

Annual Holiday Show & Sale "Aspasia with Cow," postcard by Toby Klayman©. See Fort Mason Art Campus

Museo ItaloAmericano Wed-Sun (closed 12/25) Noon-5pm $2-$1 Bldg C 673-2200
Eugenio Carmi Graphic works & illustrations for two children's books, *The Bomb and the General* & *The Three Cosmonauts*, by Umberto Eco. Carmi's strict geometric designs are softened by the sensitive touch of brush or pen & informed by his skill in various media. 11/22-2/2/92
Dolci di Natale/Christmas Desserts 12/6 Fri 7-9pm $20 see 12/6
Italian Language Classes Various levels of instruction provided by an Italian-born instructor. Mon-Thur (closed 12/20-1/3). Must pre-reg. $120-$108
La Befana A classic Italian folk tale for the whole family. 12/14&21 Sat 1:30pm $2, children FREE see 12/14

SF African American Historical & Cultural Society Nationally acclaimed exhibits & field trips to African American historical sites are sponsored by this combination museum, art gallery, historical society & library of resource material. Wed-Sun Noon-5pm (closed 12/25) $1, children 50¢ Bldg C 441-0640

SF Craft & Folk Art Museum Tue-Sat 10am-7pm, Sun 11am-5pm (closed 12/25), $1 adm (Sat 10am-Noon FREE adm) Bldg A 775-0990
Third World Trade Signs Sometimes crude, yet always intriguing, these hand-crafted advertisements communicate on the most basic level, where dialects are numerous & levels of education varied. They have become ethnographic documents of the past, transcending their original intention by preserving a record of fast-disappearing customs & cultures 11/2-12/29
Indonesian Textiles: Heritage In Cloth Part of the national Festival of Indonesia, the 30-plus textiles on exhibition include examples of the ethnic & cultural groups that represent the major islands of Sumatra, Java & Bali, as well as some of the lesser-known smaller islands. In addition to the textiles, a selection of ancient & tribal gold & silver jewelry from Indonesia is on view. 11/2-12/29
Holiday Gift Shop 11/2-12/24: 11/2-27 Tue-Fri & Sun 11am-5pm, Sat 10am-5pm; 11/29-12/24 Sun&Mon 11am-5pm, Tue-Sat 10am-7pm see 12/1

SF Museum Of Modern Art Rental Gallery An exhibition of seven emerging Bay Area sculptors. The artists include Shelly Gardner, Katherine Keefer, Connie Harris, Louise Lieber, Nina Lyons, Willy Scholten & Virginia Stearns. 12/3-21 Tue-Sat 11:30am-5:30pm (reception 12/3 Tue 5:30-7:30pm, closed 12/22-1/1) FREE adm Bldg A 441-4777

Sculpture By A Japanese Woman Works by Ritsuko Abe, a recent graduate of JFK University's Art & Consciousness program. 11/30-12/15 Mon 1-5pm,Tue&Thur 1-4pm, Wed&Fri 1-6pm, Sat&Sun 10am-6pm FREE Gatehouse 564-7228 see 12/1

Perception Gallery Miriam Ellingson & Maggie Feldstein exhibit in a joint retrospective. 12/1-31 (closed 12/25) Mon-Sat 9am-5pm FREE adm Fort Mason Office Lobby, Bldg A 441-5706

CULTURAL DIVERSITY

The Women's Caucus for Art is a nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting the professionalism of women in the visual arts. It includes over 3900 members—art educators, professional artists, art students, museum curators and art historians. Founded in 1972, the WCA was created to strengthen the role and status of women in art.

WCA's objectives are to win parity in the valuation of works by women; to create new opportunities for women to document, produce and exhibit works; and to assemble for the exchange of ideas, experience and constructive criticism.

The national level of the organization provides a collective voice for achieving overall objectives and aims, is a clearinghouse for ideas, and a vehicle for public visibility.

Regional chapters provide workshops about curent and historical issues on aesthetics, scholarship, education, law and finance of the visual arts through monthly "Sunday Salons," with presentations by invited speakers, and the opportunity for members to network.

The national WCA also sponsors a yearly conference, in conjunction with the College Art Association. Art historians, theoreticians and professional artists come together for panel discussions and lectures, performance works, and numerous shows at local galleries. Several women artists are honored each year with a Lifetime Achievement Award.

The Northern California Chapter of WCA is approaching its third decade with 150 active members. It has acted as a parent organization to new chapters, with a membership totalling over 300, on the Peninsula, in the South Bay, Santa Cruz, and the Carmel/Monterey area.

This growth has meant more prominence in the community, and more accessibility to women artists throughout the region. WCA is always seeking new members, encouraging active participation, new ideas, and new vehicles for exposure.

"Women on Women: A Celebration of our Cultural Diversities" represents the WCA's recognition of the need for equal visibility and representation for the work of women artists of color. Thus, it includes a wide range of Northern California women artists, not just WCA members.

The theme is a multicultural expression of women reflecting on themselves, on each other, and on their ethnic heritage. It reveals women's thoughts, ideas and feelings about themselves and other women. Diverse styles and media are represented, including photography, painting, mixed media and assemblage. Jurors were Caryl Henry, Betty Kano and Yolanda Lopez.

The exhibit is presented in the Bayfront Gallery, adjacent to the Herbst Pavilion, from November 20 through January 3. A reception with the artists takes place from 1 to 6pm on Saturday, December 7, the opening day of the Women's Building Arts and Crafts Fair. Proceeds from the sale of wine and refreshments will be donated to the Women's Building Battered Women's Shelter.

The show is open before, during and after performances in the Cowell Theater. For information, call the Northern California Women's Caucus for Art, 451-8788. For theater performance schedule, call 441-5706.

Third World Trade Sign Beauty parlor sign, Ivory Coast, Africa. See SF Craft & Folk Art Museum

December At A Glance

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16th Annual Poetry Film Festival see 12/7
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Holiday Appeal For Class War Prisoners see 12/8
SF Vegetarian Society Holiday Potluck Party see 12/8
Christmas Party For "Animal People" see 12/14
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Public Auction see 12/28
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Peter & The Wolf see 12/1
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Love Diatribe see 12/1
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Sports Cards Show Display of old & new baseball, football, basketball & hockey cards with other sports memorabilia for sale & trade. 10am-4:30pm $2 (children under 8 FREE) Bldg A 731-9555

Book Bay Bookstore Bargain books. 12/1-29 (closed 12/25&26) Wed, Fri-Sun 11am-5pm, Thur 11am-8pm FREE adm. Friends of the SF Public Library Bldg C 771-1076

La Tienda Annual Holiday Mercado A wide selection of Mexican & Latin American folk art & gifts including wooden animals, jewelry, masks, ceramics, tin frames, nativities, ornaments & toys. 11/29-12/24 Sun&Mon 11am-5pm, Tue-Sat 10am-7pm Mexican Museum Bldg D 202-9703

SF Craft & Folk Art Museum Holiday Gift Shop Contemporary crafts, American folk art & ethnic crafts from around the world. Ceramics, glass, metal, wood & textiles. Objects include baskets, jewelry, toys, art books, elegant notepaper & unusual postcards.11/2-12/24. 11/2-27 Tue-Fri & Sun 11am-5pm, Sat 10am-5pm; 11/29-12/24 Sun&Mon 11am-5pm, Tue-Sat 10am-7pm. SF Craft & Folk Art Museum Bldg A 775-0990

Peter & The Wolf This musical tale is a wonderful introduction to classical music, incorporating dance, pantomime & a hike into the woods of Russia. Adapted for the stage by Matilda Kunin. 11/2-12/1 Sat 1pm, Sun 1&3pm $6-$4 Young Performers Theatre Bldg C 346-5550

A Room Of One's Own Tony Award nominee Eileen Atkins stars in Patrick Garland's stage adaptation of Virginia Woolf's world-famous book. "Call it Virginia Atkins or Eileen Woolf. I call it simply magnificent." (John Simon, *New York*) 11/19-12/1 Tue-Sun 8pm, Sat matinee 2pm, Sun matinee 3pm $28-$25 FMC "Friends" $1 off w/mbrs card Cowell Theater 392-4400 ●

Love Diatribe Magic Theatre's 1991-92 season begins with the West Coast premiere of Harry Kondoleon's comedy. Overwhelmed by the inanity of their lives, this Average American Family seems beyond redemption. Enter a magical spirit who proves that true love can save the day. "Wickedly funny & full of heart." Directed by Albert Takazauckas. 10/16-12/1 (no performance 11/28) Wed-Sat 8:30pm, Sun 2&7:30pm $21-$12 FMC "Friends" $1 off w/mbrs card. Magic Theatre (Southside) Bldg D 441-8822 ●

Round Robin Readings Bring your own or your favorite author's poems for a wide-open round-table reading. 12/1-29 Sun 7:30pm $1 FMC "Friends" 25% off w/mbrs card, National Poetry Assoc. Bldg D 776-6602 ●

Alcoholics Anonymous Weekly waterfront meeting. 12/1-29 Sun 8-9:15pm FREE Bldg C 661-1828

2 MONDAY

The Frankham Follies A reuniting of old friends & even older material! Music, lunacy, comedy, vaudeville, circus & more. Featuring the talents of Geoff Hoyle, Frankie Olivier & many others. A benefit for the Peter Frankham Support Fund. Presented by Make*A*Circus. 8pm $10 Cowell Theater RSVP 776-8470

Tree Sale see 12/1
Sculpture see 12/1
La Tienda Annual Holiday Mercado see 12/1
Craft & Folk Art Holiday Gift Shop see 12/1

● Friends of the Fort Discount

Guardsmen Christmas Tree Sale see 12/1

3 TUESDAY

Tree Sale see 12/1
Sculpture see 12/1
La Tienda Annual Holiday Mercado see 12/1
Craft & Folk Art Holiday Gift Shop see 12/1

4 WEDNESDAY

Adult Children Of Alcoholics A 12-step program focusing on parental alcoholism's effect on childhood as manifested in dysfunctional adult behaviors. 12/4-25 Wed 7-9pm FREE Gatehouse 931-2262

Public Lecture The Institute Of Divine Metaphysical Research, Inc., presents this scientific introduction to the divine pattern of the tabernacle. 12/4-27 Wed&Fri (except 12/25) 8-10pm FREE Bldg C 839-7226

A Bologna Christmas A charmingly blasphemous yuletide tale about the hyper-typical American family, the Webers. Written by Fratelli Bologna & Martin Higgins, directed by Albert Takazauckas. Previews 12/4&5 Wed&Thur, runs 12/6-29 (except 12/25) Wed-Sat 8pm, Sun 2pm $20-$12 Life On The Water Bldg B 776-8999

Tree Sale see 12/1
Sculpture see 12/1
Book Bay Bookstore see 12/1
La Tienda Annual Holiday Mercado see 12/1
Craft & Folk Art Holiday Gift Shop see 12/1

5 THURSDAY

Tax Savings For The Freelancer Learn what every freelancer should know about taxes—before the end of the year! Discover how to set up shop as an independent contractor without giving up more than you need to. 6:30-9:30pm $35-$21 Media Alliance Bldg D 441-2557

Fat Men In Skirts Nicky Silver's satirical black comedy describes the trials of a woman married to a campy Hollywood producer whose son is plane-wrecked on a desert island with nothing to eat but the other passengers. Directed by R.A. White. Previews 12/5-7 Thur-Sat 8:30pm, opens 12/10 Tue 8:30pm, runs 12/11-1/16 Wed-Sat 8:30pm, Sun 2&7:30pm $21-$12 FMC "Friends" $1 off w/mbrs card. Magic Theatre (Northside) Bldg D 441-8822 ●

Tree Sale see 12/1
Sculpture see 12/1
Book Bay Bookstore see 12/1
La Tienda Annual Holiday Mercado see 12/1
Craft & Folk Art Holiday Gift Shop see 12/1
A Bologna Christmas see 12/4

6 FRIDAY

Arts & Artifacts A unique sale of ethnic & contemporary jewelry, baskets, tribal adornments, ceramics, textiles, sculpture & exotic plants from the four corners of the world, presented by a new group of Bay Area dealers. 12/6-24 10am-7pm daily FREE adm Bldg A 673-4094

Dolci di Natale/Christmas Desserts Coffee & dessert wines accompany confections & traditional Christmas sweets provided by local bakeries & restaurants. 7-9pm $20 Museo ItaloAmericano Bldg C 673-2200

Concert Staged Readings The first & second drafts of original scripts by Playwrights' Center members are performed. An audience critique follows the performances. 12/6-20 Fri 7:30pm $3 Blue Bear Theater Bldg D 626-4683

Mahamudra—Boundless Joy & Freedom A lecture on Mahamudra—the mind's state of self-recognition. Presented by Karma Dechen Oser Ling (KDOL). 8pm $10 Firehouse (510) 653-9295

Tree Sale see 12/1
Sculpture see 12/1
Book Bay Bookstore see 12/1
La Tienda Annual Holiday Mercado see 12/1
Craft & Folk Art Holiday Gift Shop see 12/1
Public Lecture see 12/4
A Bologna Christmas see 12/4
Fat Men In Skirts see 12/5 ●

7 SATURDAY

Celebration Of Craftswomen The 13th annual benefit for the SF Women's Building is the largest juried women's craft show in the country. It features more than 275 women artists & crafts-women, plus musicians, jugglers, storytellers, ethnic foods, & craft demonstrations, representing the multicultural diversity of the Bay Area. In collaboration with "Focus on Women at Fort Mason 1991." Childcare provided. 12/7-15 Sat&Sun 10am-6pm $10-$4.50 (sliding scale, children under 12 FREE) Herbst Pavilion 431-1180

West Coast Weekend SF's only live performance radio show, produced by KQED-FM 88.5, broadcasts from Fort Mason. Host Sedge Thomson brings together a diverse selection of guests & music from bluegrass to string quartets, plus news on activities for the weekend & upcoming week. 12/7-28 Sat 11am-1pm $4 Life On The Water Bldg B 553-2213

A Bologna Christmas at Life On The Water see 12/4
Photo: Joegh Bullock

A Beginner's Guide To Proofreading A new course to help you "crack the code" of proofreading marks & discover the mystery of using them correctly. An excellent prerequisite for more advanced proofreading classes. 12:30-4pm $40-$30 Media Alliance Bldg C 441-2557

Pippi Longstocking The outrageous Pippi does cartwheels, dances & plays tag in this rollicking, madcap musical. In collaboration with "Focus on Women at Fort Mason 1991." 12/7-22 Sat&Sun 1&3:30pm, daily matinees 12/16-20 Mon-Fri 4pm. $6-$4 Young Performers Theatre Bldg C 346-5550

16th Annual Poetry Film Festival "What is a poetry film after 16 festivals?" A lecture & demonstration by Herman Berlandt, founder of the Poety Film Workshop. Plus videopoem entries, poetry films & announcements of 1991 award winners. 12/7&8 Sat 6-9pm, Sun 2-8:30pm. Rescreening of the award winners 12/15 Sun 7pm. $5-$2 FMC "Friends" 25% off w/mbrs card Media Alliance Bldg D 776-6602 ●

10th Anniversary of *The Last Epidemic* Celebrate the first steps toward disarmament w/ filmmakers Vivienne Verdon-Roe & Ian Thiermann, featuring early videos that helped to educate the public. A benefit for The Video Project's national distribution of video and film promoting a safe & sustainable world. Dessert reception follows screenings. 7:30-10pm $10 Cowell Theater (510) 655-9050

Plowshares Coffeehouse Singer/songwriter Carol McComb & guitarist Nina Gerber perform acoustic folk music. In collaboration with "Focus on Women at Fort Mason 1991." 8pm $9-$7 Firehouse 681-7966

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Book Bay Bookstore see 12/1
La Tienda Annual Holiday Mercado see 12/1
Craft & Folk Art Holiday Gift Shop see 12/1
A Bologna Christmas see 12/4
Fat Men In Skirts see 12/5 ●
Arts & Artifacts see 12/6

8 SUNDAY

Unitarian Universalist Worship Celebration A multicultural experience, drawing upon insights, practices & sacred traditions of all peoples. 12/8& 22 Sun 10:45am-1:15pm FREE Bldg C 776-4580

Holiday Appeal For Class-War Prisoners Fund-raising party for stipends sent to class-war prisoners—those jailed for opposition to class, racial & social oppression. In solidarity, rather than charity. 1-4pm $10 Firehouse (510) 839-0852

Holiday Potluck Party The SF Vegetarian Society sponsors this culinary event featuring live entertainment. Bring a tasty dish to share. 3:30pm $1 ($6 without dish) Bldg C 775-6874

Art For Everyone Designed for the art collector intimidated by the "art world," this slide show presents artists not represented by the galleries. 3:30pm FREE Bldg C 282-5431

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La Tienda Annual Holiday Mercado see 12/1
Craft & Folk Art Holiday Gift Shop see 12/1
Round Robin Readings see 12/1
Alcoholics Anonymous see 12/1
A Bologna Christmas see 12/4
Arts & Artifacts see 12/6
Celebration Of Craftswomen see 12/7
Pippi Longstocking see 12/7

9 MONDAY

PC Clone User Group Learn to build your own PC or simply come to meet others who want to share user information. 7-9pm $2 Bldg C 861-9321

Earplay The critically acclaimed contemporary chamber music ensemble continues is seventh season tonight with works performed by Ross Bauer, Donald Aird, Timothy Vicent Clark, Robert Basart, Seymour Shifrin & Marjorie Merryman. Guest artists include soprano Anna Carol Dudley & pianist Betty Woo. 8pm $12-$10 Cowell Theater 567-5830 ●

Tree Sale see 12/1
Sculpture see 12/1
La Tienda Annual Holiday Mercado see 12/1
Craft & Folk Art Holiday Gift Shop see 12/1
Arts & Artifacts see 12/6

10 TUESDAY

Tree Sale see 12/1
Sculpture see 12/1
La Tienda Annual Holiday Mercado see 12/1
Craft & Folk Art Holiday Gift Shop see 12/1
Fat Men In Skirts see 12/5
Arts & Artifacts see 12/6

11 WEDNESDAY

Disney Comedic Actor Audition Prepare a one-minute comic monologue. If you sing, prepare one uptempo song & bring sheet music in your key. Must be at least 18. Eligible performers 9am, open call Noon Bldg C (407) 345-5701

Negotiating For Women In The Arts Learn negotiation strategies through discussion & various role-playing activities. 7pm $15-$5 California Lawyers For The Arts Bldg B 775-7200

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Book Bay Bookstore see 12/1
La Tienda Annual Holiday Mercado see 12/1
Craft & Folk Art Holiday Gift Shop see 12/1
Adult Children Of Alcoholics see 12/4
Public Lecture see 12/4
A Bologna Christmas see 12/4
Fat Men In Skirts see 12/5 ●
Arts & Artifacts see 12/6

12 THURSDAY

Tree Sale see 12/1
Sculpture see 12/1
Book Bay Bookstore see 12/1
La Tienda Annual Holiday Mercado see 12/1
Craft & Folk Art Holiday Gift Shop see 12/1
A Bologna Christmas see 12/4
Fat Men In Skirts see 12/5 ●
Arts & Artifacts see 12/6

The Last Epidemic Filmmakers Ian Thiermann & Vivienne Verdon-Roe see 12/7

13 FRIDAY

Tree Sale see 12/1
Sculpture see 12/1
Book Bay Bookstore see 12/1
La Tienda Annual Holiday Mercado see 12/1
Craft & Folk Art Holiday Gift Shop see 12/1
Public Lecture see 12/4
A Bologna Christmas see 12/4
Fat Men In Skirts see 12/5 ●
Arts & Artifacts see 12/6
Concert Staged Readings see 12/6

14 SATURDAY

Environmental Concerns Gift Sale Unique holiday gifts & gift ideas for last-minute shoppers. These items will ensure you'll be remembered throughout the year. 12/14 Sat 8am-5pm & 12/21 Sat 6-11pm FREE adm Bldg A 627-6906

Fort Mason Art Campus Holiday Show & Sale A student & faculty exhibition & sale of painting, drawing, photography, prints, ceramics, textiles, sculpture & more. 12/14&15 Sat&Sun 10am-6pm FREE adm Bldg B 561-1840

Copyright Clinic Artists can consult w/a copyright attorney regarding copyright forms, work-for-hire arrangements, jointly-held copyrights, renewing & modifying copyrights. 12/14&28 Sat 10am-12:30pm, by appt. $20-$10 California Lawyers For The Arts Bldg C 775-7200

Fort Mason Tour Guided walks through this cultural & recreational facility. Over 50 arts, environmental & cultural groups make Fort Mason Center their home. Museums, theaters, galleries, classes & workshops utilize these converted military warehouses. 11am-12:30pm FREE (1 tour this month, call to reserve space) Bldg A 441-5706

Writing & Editing for Broadcast News Let a team of seasoned professionals—local media newswriters, producers & reporters— take you behind the scenes for an in-depth look at writing for the broadcast news industry. This is a rare opportunity to ask questions & make valuable contacts. 11:30am-4:30pm $69-$59 Media Alliance Bldg D 441-2557

La Befana A classic Italian folk tale for the whole family. A Calabrian shepherd recounts the story of a lonely old widow who atones for her initial dismissal of the Three Wise Men. 12/14&21 Sat 1:30pm $2, children FREE Museo ItaloAmericano Bldg C 673-2200

Christmas Party An annual pot-luck Christmas celebration for "animal people." Sponsored by Fund for Animals. 6-11pm FREE Bldg C 841-7108

Tree Sale see 12/1
Sculpture see 12/1
Book Bay Bookstore see 12/1
La Tienda Annual Holiday Mercado see 12/1
Craft & Folk Art Holiday Gift Shop see 12/1
A Bologna Christmas see 12/4
Fat Men In Skirts see 12/5 ●
Arts & Artifacts see 12/6
Celebration Of Craftswomen see 12/7
West Coast Weekend see 12/7
Pippi Longstocking see 12/7

15 SUNDAY

6th Annual Holiday Open House & Sale Face painting, handprinted cards, staff & children's art, wrapping paper, T-shirts, jewelry, cards & gifts are just some of activities & items available at the SF Children's Art Center. 10am-5pm FREE adm Bldg C 771-0292

Family Sunday The Mascaritas Puppet Theater performs "Madam Scrooga" & "The Selfish Giant" as part of The Mexican Museum's monthly family program. 12:30-4:30pm FREE Firehouse 441-0445

Tree Sale see 12/1
Sculpture see 12/1
Book Bay Bookstore see 12/1
La Tienda Annual Holiday Mercado see 12/1
Craft & Folk Art Holiday Gift Shop see 12/1
Round Robin Readings see 12/1
Alcoholics Anonymous see 12/1
A Bologna Christmas see 12/4
Fat Men In Skirts see 12/5 ●
Arts & Artifacts see 12/6
Celebration Of Craftswomen see 12/7
Pippi Longstocking see 12/7
Holiday Show & Sale see 12/14

16 MONDAY

Tree Sale see 12/1
La Tienda Annual Holiday Mercado see 12/1
Craft & Folk Art Holiday Gift Shop see 12/1
Arts & Artifacts see 12/6
Pippi Longstocking see 12/7

17 TUESDAY

Sange Menla Medicine Buddha A ceremonial blessing for health & prevention of disease. Provided by Karma Dechen Oser Ling (KDOL). 7pm $15 Cowell Theater (510) 653-9295

Tree Sale see 12/1
La Tienda Annual Holiday Mercado see 12/1
Craft & Folk Art Holiday Gift Shop see 12/1
Arts & Artifacts see 12/6
Pippi Longstocking see 12/7

18 WEDNESDAY

Peace Corps Community Forum A slide program narrated by returned Peace Corps volunteers on their experiences living & working overseas 7-9pm FREE Bldg C 744-2677

Computer User Group Meeting Issues regarding the Commodore 64&128 are addressed. All are welcome. 7-10pm FREE Bldg C 864-4663

Tree Sale see 12/1
Book Bay Bookstore see 12/1
La Tienda Annual Holiday Mercado see 12/1
Craft & Folk Art Holiday Gift Shop see 12/1
Adult Children Of Alcoholics see 12/4
Public Lecture see 12/4
A Bologna Christmas see 12/4
Fat Men In Skirts see 12/5 ●
Arts & Artifacts see 12/6
Pippi Longstocking see 12/7

19 THURSDAY

Tree Sale see 12/1
Book Bay Bookstore see 12/1
La Tienda Annual Holiday Mercado see 12/1
Craft & Folk Art Holiday Gift Shop see 12/1
A Bologna Christmas see 12/4
Fat Men In Skirts see 12/5 ●
Arts & Artifacts see 12/6
Pippi Longstocking see 12/7

Fort Comedy Deb & Mike see 12/28

20 FRIDAY

Tree Sale see 12/1
Book Bay Bookstore see 12/1
La Tienda Annual Holiday Mercado see 12/1
Craft & Folk Art Holiday Gift Shop see 12/1
Public Lecture see 12/4
A Bologna Christmas see 12/4
Fat Men In Skirts see 12/5 ●
Arts & Artifacts see 12/6
Concert Staged Readings see 12/6
Pippi Longstocking see 12/7

21 SATURDAY

Psychic Reading Fair Psychic Horizons presents an opportunity for a reading or healing. 1-3pm FREE Bldg C 346-7906

Tree Sale see 12/1
Book Bay Bookstore see 12/1
La Tienda Annual Holiday Mercado see 12/1
Craft & Folk Art Holiday Gift Shop see 12/1
A Bologna Christmas see 12/4
Fat Men In Skirts see 12/5 ●
Arts & Artifacts see 12/6
West Coast Weekend see 12/7
Pippi Longstocking see 12/7
Environmental Concerns Gift Sale see 12/14
La Befana see 12/14

22 SUNDAY

Tree Sale see 12/1
Book Bay Bookstore see 12/1
La Tienda Annual Holiday Mercado see 12/1
Craft & Folk Art Holiday Gift Shop see 12/1
Round Robin Readings see 12/1
Alcoholics Anonymous see 12/1
A Bologna Christmas see 12/4
Fat Men In Skirts see 12/5 ●
Arts & Artifacts see 12/6
Pippi Longstocking see 12/7
Worship Celebration see 12/8

23 MONDAY

La Tienda Annual Holiday Mercado see 12/1
Craft & Folk Art Holiday Gift Shop see 12/1
Arts & Artifacts see 12/6

24 TUESDAY

La Tienda Annual Holiday Mercado see 12/1
Craft & Folk Art Holiday Gift Shop see 12/1
Arts & Artifacts see 12/6

25 WEDNESDAY

Adult Children Of Alcoholics see 12/4
Fat Men In Skirts see 12/5 ●

26 THURSDAY

A Bologna Christmas see 12/4
Fat Men In Skirts see 12/5 ●

27 FRIDAY

Book Bay Bookstore see 12/1
Public Lecture see 12/4
A Bologna Christmas see 12/4
Fat Men In Skirts see 12/5 ●

28 SATURDAY

Public Auction Hundreds of one-of-a-kind antiques including furniture, paintings, gramophones, etc. One item to sell every 40 seconds. Lunch & registration included. Preview 10am, auction 11am-4:30pm. FREE adm Bldg A (408) 293-9191

SF Bay Area Postcard Club Monthly meeting with discussion & swap meet. 1-3pm FREE Bldg C 512-8662

Fort Comedy II Six nationally recognized comedians come together for performances ranging from the political to the petite. Starring Will Durst, the "Mother of all political comedians," plus Greg Proops, Deb & Mike, Steve Kravitz & the "small" but loveable Ed Crasnick. Champagne & party favors final show. 12/28-31 Sat-Mon 8:30pm, Tue 7:30&10pm $30-$15 (21&over for 12/31 10pm show) Cowell Theater (510) 762-BASS ●

Book Bay Bookstore see 12/1
A Bologna Christmas see 12/4
Fat Men In Skirts see 12/5 ●
West Coast Weekend see 12/7

29 SUNDAY

Computer Show & Sale Discover what's considered "state-of-the-art" & see what's for "show & sale." 10am-4pm FREE Bldg A 239-5166

Book Bay Bookstore see 12/1
Round Robin Readings see 12/1
Alcoholics Anonymous see 12/1
A Bologna Christmas see 12/4
Fat Men In Skirts see 12/5 ●
Fort Comedy II see 12/28 ●

30 MONDAY

Clipper Programming User Group Professionals meet today for the Nantucket authorized Clipper programmers user group. 7-10pm $5 Bldg C 864-4904

Fort Comedy II see 12/28 ●

31 TUESDAY

Fort Comedy II see 12/28 ●

● Friends of the Fort Discount

CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

ENVIRONMENT

Environmental Traveling Companions Experience the magic of sea kayaking while you contribute to ETC's wilderness access programs for people w/disabilities & disadvantaged youth. Scholarships are available for people w/special needs. Bldg C 474-7662

Friends Of The River Rafting & kayaking trips on California & Colorado rivers, the Grand Canyon & beyond. Proceeds benefit river conservation efforts. Bldg C. For information, call 771-0400

Oceanic Society Expeditions Gift certificates available for full-day & half-day Whale Watch cruises from SF's Marina Green Park & Half Moon Bay. Naturalists lead gray whale trips December through April, Sat&Sun, select Fri $48-$32 Bldg E 474-3385

Sailing Education Adventures A nonprofit community sailing program with an emphasis on enjoying & caring for the Bay & ocean environment. Volunteer instructors assist beginners & experts alike. Bldg E 775-8779

J. Porter Shaw Maritime Library Orientation Learn to use this premier collection of commercial maritime history, including books, magazines, oral histories, ships' plans & access to the park's 250,000 historic photographs. Reservations req. 9am-Noon FREE Building E 556-9870

MARTIAL ARTS

Chuan & Buddhist Chi Chung Taught by Master Cheuk Fung, this class is for those seeking health, healing & genuine Martial Arts ability. 12/3-26 Tue&Thur 7:30-9:30pm $60/mo Bldg C (510) 658-4621

ICI Tai Chi Chuan w/Sifu Fong Ha. Complete classical forms w/emphasis on meditative aspects. 12/3-19 Tue&Thur 7:30-9:30pm $50-$35/mo Bldg C 524-4718

Chinese Martial Arts w/Jack Man Wong. Tai Chi Chuan & Northern Shaolin for robust health, high spirits, rational thinking & self-defense. 12/1-29 Wed 5:30-7:30pm, Sun 10am-Noon $40/mo Bldg C 261-7105

Original Shaolin Temple Kung Fu Physical conditioning, martial arts, internal exercises & meditation. For serious students only. 12/3-31 Tue&Thur 6-7:30pm, Fri 7-8:30pm, Sat Noon-1pm, $50-$40/mo Bldg C 564-9282

Northern Shaolin Kung Fu Classical weapons & hand forms for exercise & self-defense. 12/6-27 Fri 6:30-8:30pm $25/mo Bldg C 753-1269

Tai Chi Practice Presented by Cloud Hands West 12/7-28 Sat 8:30-10am $10/class Bldg C 444-7748

The Art Of Tai Chi - Praying Mantis Rational training in weapons, internal exercises, hand-forms, capturing techniques & open discussion on martial arts principles. 12/2-30 Mon 8-10pm $35/mo Bldg C 797-2203

Original Tai Chi Chuan Sifu Gene Chen teaches the original Tai Chi Chuan complete system. 12/3-19 Tue&Thur 7:30-9:30pm $45/mo Bldg C 661-3786

Somatic Tai Chi Chuan Increase body awareness & flexibility w/Tai Chi Chuan. Taught by Dr. B.C. Bennett. 12/2-16 Mon 6:30-8pm $30/mo Bldg C 282-2676

VISUAL ARTS & MEDIA

Fort Mason Art Campus, a community services program of City College of SF, offers classes in painting, drawing, sculpture, textiles, printmaking, photography, basketry, jewelry, ceramics, & the business of art. Also offered are classes in ornithology, real estate, food & wine & dance. Bldg B 561-1840

Media Alliance Classes, workshops & panels for print & broadcast journalists, writers & photographers. Bldg D. For information, call 441-2557
Writing & Editing for Broadcast News 12/14 Sat 11:30am-4:30pm $69-$59 see 12/14
Tax Savings For The Freelancer 12/5 Thur 6:30-9:30pm $35-$21 see 12/5
A Beginner's Guide To Proofreading 12/7 Sat 12:30-4pm $40-$30 see 12/7

National Poetry Association offers a Poetry Film Workshop w/an emphasis on creating "film poetry." Introductory course in basic filmmaking & editing to include scripting, storyboarding & camerawork. FMC "Friends" 25% off each class w/mbrs card. Pre-reg. req. Bldg D 776-6602 ●
Round Robin Readings 12/1-29 Sun 7:30pm $2-$1
16th Annual Poetry Film Festival 12/7&8 Sat&Sun 2pm. Rescreened 12/15 Sun 7pm $5-$2 see 12/7
Poetry Film Workshop Hands-on use of Super-8, 16mm & video to produce poetry films. Using a short poem as a scenario, create a concise videopoem or poetry film. 11/9-12/14 Sat 3pm $100/six sessions

Western Public Radio offers classes: Basic Radio Production, Basic Voice Techniques, Voicing Commercials, Advanced Production Techniques & On-Air Board Operations. Bldg D 771-1160

TV Commercial Training On Camera Learn overall camera techniques—including the use of voice & eyes—professional script marking & cue card use. Be trained in interview preparation, presentation & wardrobe. On Camera Associates with Melodie Soe. 10/24-12/19 Thur 4-5:30pm & 6-7pm $185/course Bldg C (510) 614-8878

HEALTH & RECREATION

Low Impact Aerobics Gentle but challenging, a stretching & conditioning program for people over 40. 12/2-27 (except 12/24&25) Mon,Wed&Fri 9:30-10:30am, Tue&Thur 10-11am $5-$3/hr. Bldg C 435-9784

Meditative Movement In this group movement is explored as a doorway to deeply knowing oneself. No prior experience is necessary. 12/3-17 Tue 10am-Noon $12/class Bldg C 931-5686

Greek Dance Enjoy Bay Area Greek festivals, learn the fundamentals of popular Greek folk dances w/Anna Efstathiou. 12/2-16 Mon 8-10pm $6-$5/class Bldg C 339-8357

Wellness Group Focuses on both the mental & physical aspects of staying well. 12/3-26 Tue & Thur 5-6:30pm FREE Gatehouse 376-7653

Meditation Workshop Guided meditation, discussion & body movement. The opportunity to meditate w/others & focus on a specific topic. 12/2&9 Mon 7:30-9:30pm $5/class Bldg C 495-7455

Awareness Through Movement/Feldenkrais Method Julie Casson teaches gentle, effective movement designed to improve strength, flexibility, posture, breathing & self-image; wear loose, warm clothing. 12/3-17 Tue Noon-1pm $8/class Bldg C 333-6644

PERFORMING ARTS

Blue Bear School Of Music offers private lessons, theory classes & band workshops in Rock, Jazz, Blues, Soul & other popular music styles for musicians of all levels. Bldg D 673-3600

Meisner Technique Acting Class For professionals & students seriously interested in developing performing skills, using Meisner technique & improvisation. 12/6-20 Fri $175/6 wks Gatehouse 381-6522

Sue Walden & Co. Presents Workshops in Spontaneity & Improvisation. Bldg C/Gatehouse 885-5678

Stanislavsky-Strasberg Method Acting 3-day acting workshop for non-professionals. An introduction to the actor's experience, focusing on emotional communication & fear of speaking expressively in public. 12/6-8 Fri 7-10pm, Sat 9:30am-12:30pm, Sun 10am-1pm $190 Bldg C 389-9816

EDUCATION

Italian Language Classes Various levels of instruction provided by an Italian-born instructor. Mon-Thur (closed 12/20-1/3). Must pre-reg. $120-$108 Museo ItaloAmericano Bldg C 673-2200

Introduction To The Ideas Of Gurdjieff A weekly meeting to discuss the practical application of Gurdjieff's ideas in daily life. 12/2-16 Mon 8-10pm FREE Gatehouse (707) 823-8616

Ancient Think Tanks Informal discussions on the Cabala, Tarot, Buddhism & Hinduism. 12/5-26 Thur 8-10pm FREE Bldg C 338-7529

Mace Instruction/Security Training Institute Department of Justice Mace licensing course. 12/2&16 Mon 6-8:30pm $40 (includes license & Mace cannister) Bldg C 334-1151

Self-Defense Learn grappling & locks, timing against single & multiple opponents, empty hand free fighting, breath exercises & more. 12/4-18 Wed 6-8pm $11/month Bldg C 441-8986

Tear Gas Certification/Personal Protection Workshop Includes state certification, psychological skills & back-up physical defense. 12/7 Sat 1-4pm $40, $8.50 state permit Bldg C (707) 829-SAFE

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